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Update Concerning the Status of COVID-19 in Nevada

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COVID-19 By The Numbers

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in Nevada

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Data are as of 12/9/2020

Current Status indicators are summarized below. Due to reporting delay, testing measures are considered over a 14-day period with a 7-day lag. This means that the most recent 7-day period is not included in the evaluation period to account for data completeness. Daily new cases and deaths are displayed as 14-day moving averages. Cases and deaths per 100,000 are displayed for the most recent 30-day period and cumulatively. In the maps below, counties with higher rates are shaded darker.

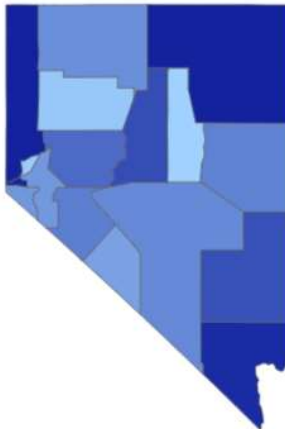
Cases

1,872
14-day rolling average
cases daily

1,912
cases per 100,000
over the last 30 days

176,334
cumulative cases

5,459
cumulative cases per
100,000



Deaths

15
14-day rolling average
deaths daily

15
deaths per 100,000
over the last 30 days

2,384
cumulative deaths

75
cumulative deaths per
100,000

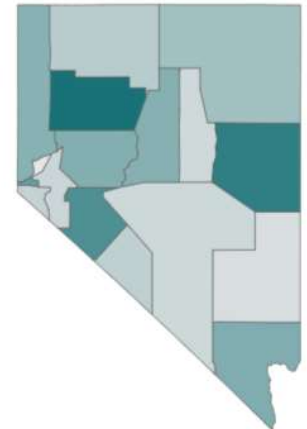


Testing

422
tests/day per 100,000
over the last 14 days

22.3%
test positivity rate
over the last 14 days

1,773,401
cumulative tests



Nevada continues to observe increases in cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. Daily case are consistently double that of the summer peak. We are currently recording near record number for daily deaths.

There is not indication that we are approaching a plateau. The decline we observed in daily cases diagnosed over the Thanksgiving holiday are believed to be a result of limited testing. We have yet to see the full impact of Thanksgiving travel and/or gatherings.

Regionally, Nevada continues to outpace Arizona and California in cases per 100,000.



COVID-19 By The Numbers

We currently estimate active cases to be 27,839, this is more than double the summer peak of 11,452 on July 19th.

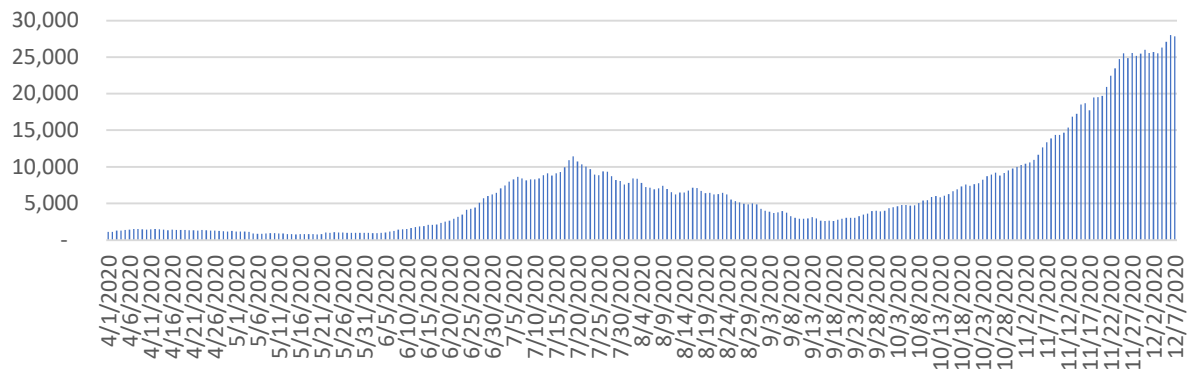
Active Peak on July
19th, 11,452

Current Active,
27,839

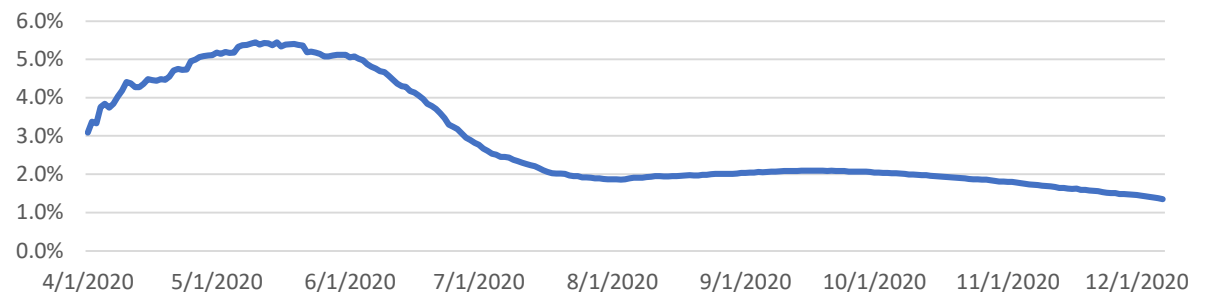
The case fatality rate, or the proportion of cases that have resulted in death has decreased significantly since the start of the pandemic, from a high of over 5% in May to 1.4% cumulatively as of December 8th.

The current case fatality rate is 0.8-0.9%

Estimated Active COVID-19 Cases, April 1st - December 7th

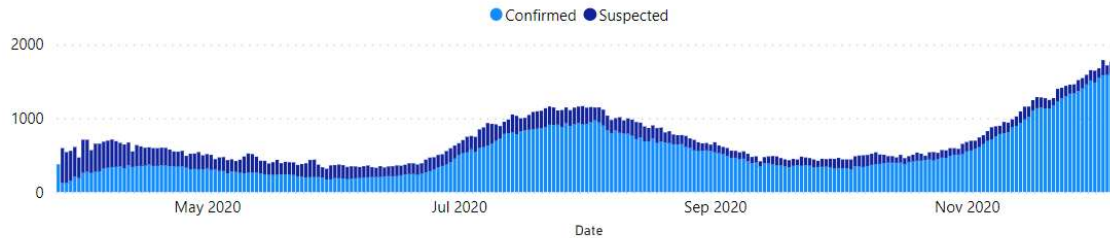


Proportion of Cumulative Cases that resulted in Death, April 1st - December 8th

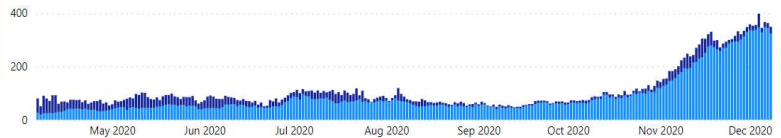


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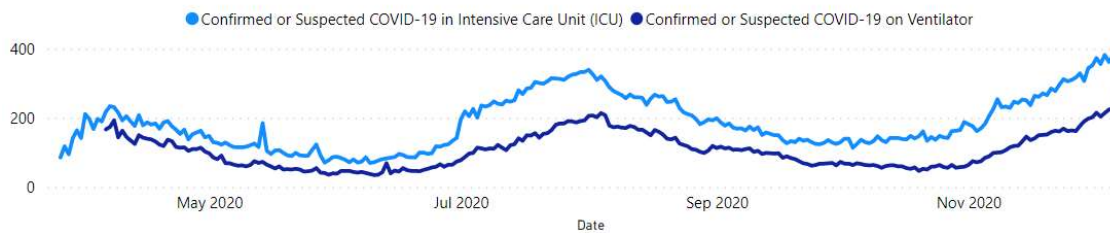
Confirmed and Suspected Hospitalizations



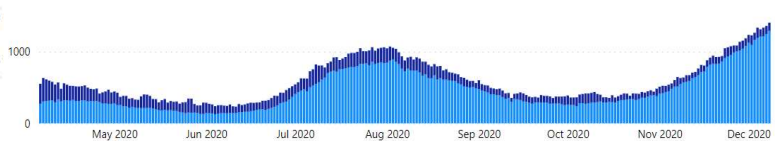
Northern Nevada



Confirmed and Suspected Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and Ventilator Utilization

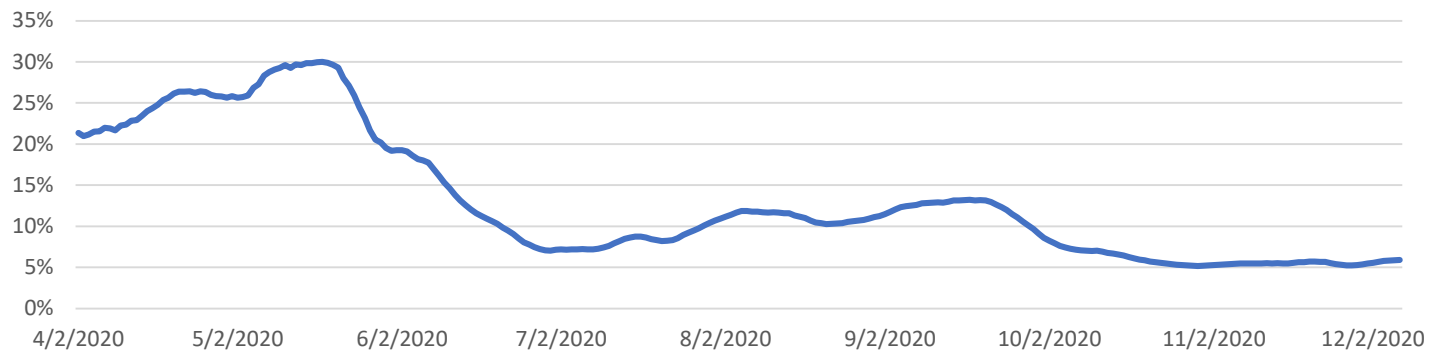


Southern Nevada



Although we continue to see increasing trends in hospitalizations, in general we have seen significant declines in the proportion of cases requiring hospitalization. Currently, we find 6% of active cases are hospitalized.

Proportion of Active Cases Requiring Hospitalization (7-Day Moving Average)



COVID-19 By The Numbers



The current 14-day test positivity rate is the highest we have seen to-date, at 22.3%, and the second highest nationally.

Increases to test positivity, combined with increased testing volume in general implies wide community spread and potentially many more undiagnosed cases in the community.



COVID-19 Testing Turnaround

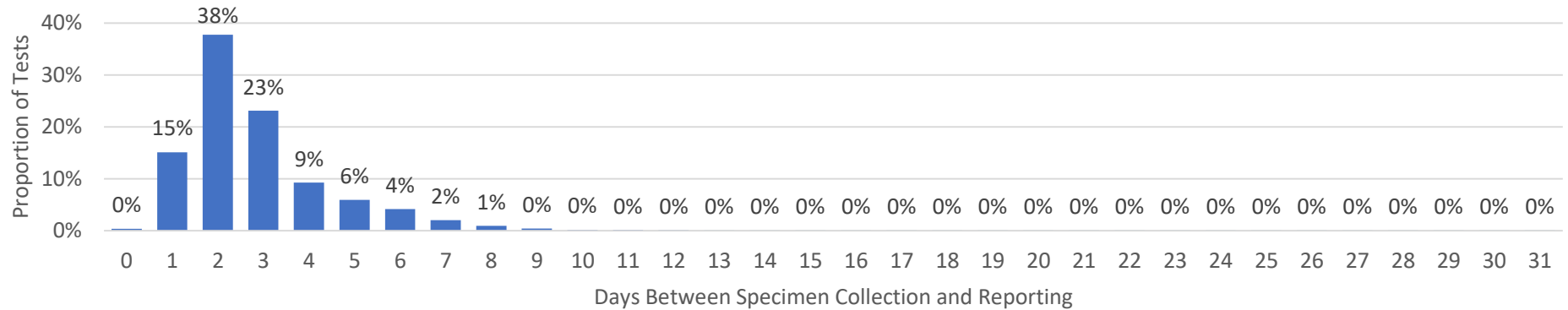
Median Time from Specimen Collection to Report, By County and Lab									
	CPL	LABCORP	NSPHL	Other	QUEST	RRMC	SOUTHERN	UMC	Total
Carson City	-	3	5	2	5	2	3	2	4
Churchill	-	3	5	3	6	2	-	2.5	3
Clark	2	3	7	2	3	2	4	2	2
Douglas	-	3	3	2	3	2	6	2.5	3
Elko	-	3	6	1	5	1	6	2	3
Esmeralda	-	4	3	1	4	1.5	4.5	2	4
Eureka	-	3	-	-	4	1	6	2	3
Humboldt	-	4	6	3	4	2	-	2	4
Lander	-	3	6	2.5	5	1	-	2.5	5
Lincoln	-	2.5	8	2	5.5	-	2.5	2	2
Lyon	-	3	4	2	4	2	3	1	3
Mineral	-	3	4	3	6	1	-	1	4
Nye	4	3	7	2	3	1	3.5	2	3
Pershing	-	3	6	3	5	1	-	-	6
Storey	-	2	3.5	2	3	2	-	-	2
Washoe	-	3	3	3	3	2	4	2	3
White Pine	-	2	8	1	6	1.5	6	1.5	6
Total	2	3	5	2	4	2	4	2	2

For Specimens collected November 1st – current, as of 12/09, it has taken approximately 3 days after specimen collection for results to be reported.

Differences across different counties and laboratories are displayed in the table above.



COVID-19 Testing Turnaround



Distribution of the Number of Days between Specimen Collection to Report, By County

Days	Carson City	Churchill	Clark	Douglas	Elko	Esmeralda	Eureka	Humboldt	Lander	Lincoln	Lyon	Mineral	Nye	Pershing	Storey	Washoe	White Pine	Total
0	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	2%	0%	7%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
1	4%	7%	15%	10%	4%	4%	3%	5%	3%	25%	17%	3%	10%	4%	7%	19%	3%	15%
2	15%	20%	42%	24%	26%	11%	25%	11%	5%	43%	31%	15%	21%	4%	45%	29%	27%	38%
3	18%	27%	23%	34%	26%	25%	63%	15%	13%	11%	23%	17%	39%	18%	11%	23%	12%	23%
4	16%	13%	8%	11%	15%	24%	6%	30%	17%	6%	13%	22%	17%	9%	28%	12%	4%	9%
5	16%	16%	5%	13%	11%	28%	2%	8%	20%	1%	5%	13%	7%	14%	5%	8%	2%	6%
6	20%	11%	3%	4%	11%	2%	1%	15%	26%	2%	6%	15%	3%	24%	2%	3%	12%	4%
7	3%	5%	2%	1%	2%	5%	0%	12%	12%	2%	3%	8%	2%	16%	1%	3%	5%	2%
8	7%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%	10%	1%	0%	21%	1%
9	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
10	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
11	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	0%
12	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%
13	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
14	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
15	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%



COVID-19 County Tracker

Data as of 11/30/2020

County Tracker: Nevada's counties are diverse in so many ways and have been impacted by COVID-19 differently. In order to ensure that each county is assessed for elevated disease transmission this tracker will be updated daily. Monday snapshots are used for discussion in COVID-19 Mitigation and Management Task Force meetings. A county is flagged for elevated disease transmission if it meets two of the three criteria:

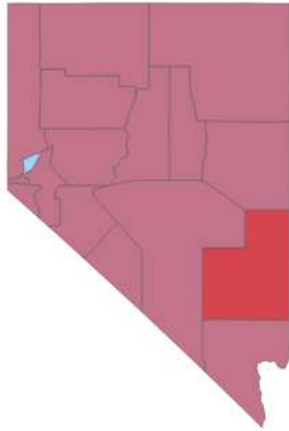
1. Average number of tests per day (per 100,000) < 100.

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Map shading is based on the number of criteria met. Hover your cursor over a county to display more data.

County	Average Number of Tests per Day per 100,000 (14-day average with 7-day lag)	Cases per 100,000 (last 30 days)	Test Positivity (14-day with 7-day lag)
Carson City	648	2,688	16.8%
Churchill	530	2,156	18.3%
Clark	478	1,405	15.6%
Douglas	150	986	24.8%
Elko	301	1,835	26.0%
Esmeralda	345	1,027	21.3%
Eureka	102	509	10.7%
Humboldt	275	1,676	35.6%
Lander	421	1,768	20.7%
Lincoln	84	635	62.3%
Lyon	203	1,030	19.7%
Mineral	1,037	2,171	9.4%
Nye	140	669	21.8%
Pershing	539	1,092	13.3%
Storey	101	134	3.2%
Washoe	471	2,095	19.9%
White Pine	1,143	2,088	9.6%

These data include prison cases. We can adjust this to exclude prisons upon request. A preliminary analysis was done, and results did change significantly for 5 counties, but not significant enough to bring them out of an elevated transmission status.



COVID-19 County Tracker

Data as of 12/2/2020

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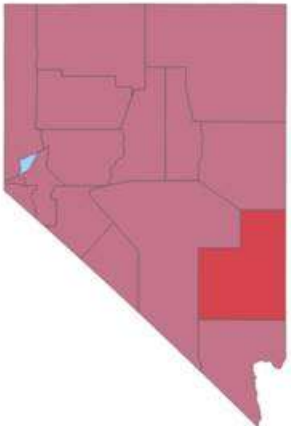
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Carson City	459	2,527	24.2%
Churchill	451	2,145	19.4%
Clark	439	1,723	17.3%
Douglas	203	1,221	27.3%
Elko	284	2,095	30.3%
Esmeralda	403	1,643	12.7%
Eureka	240	407	9.1%
Humboldt	300	2,913	38.5%
Lander	522	2,485	20.5%
Lincoln	60	923	63.6%
Lyon	189	1,081	22.0%
Mineral	983	2,960	15.0%
Nye	122	657	22.3%
Pershing	526	1,365	11.5%
Storey	118	112	5.4%
Washoe	430	2,310	21.2%
White Pine	623	2,031	17.7%

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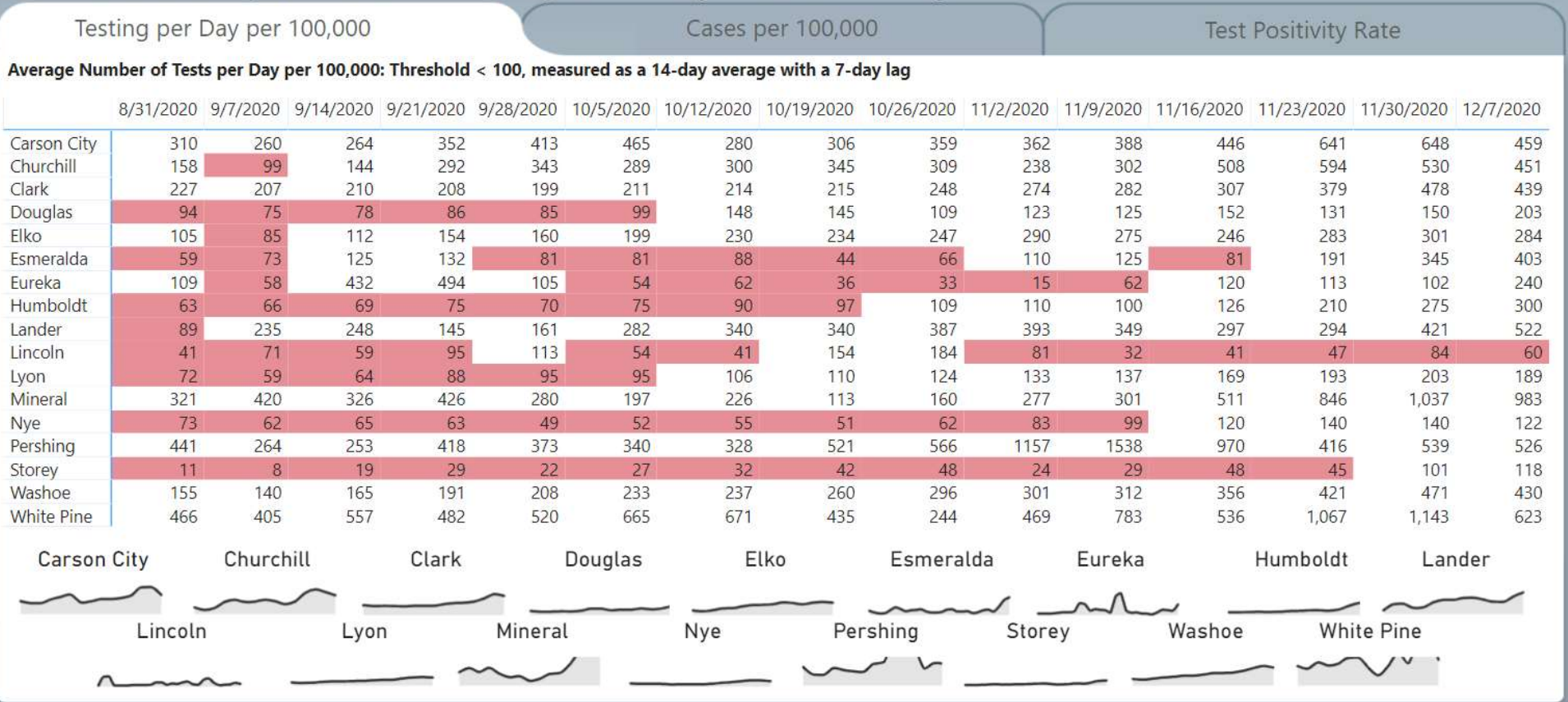
Every county in Nevada, except for Storey County, is flagged for elevated transmission.



COVID-19 County Tracker

Testing per day per 100,000:

Data trended below correspond to the most recent 15 Mitigation and Management Task Force meetings.



COVID-19 County Tracker

Case Rate per 100,000:

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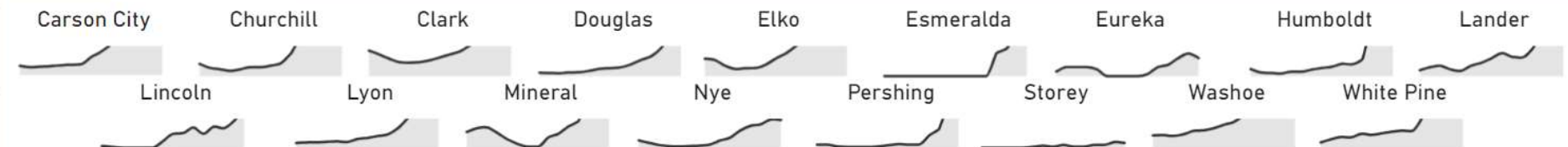
Testing per Day per 100,000

Cases per 100,000

Test Positivity Rate

Case Rate per 100,000: Threshold case rate > 200 per 100,000, measured over the previous 30 days

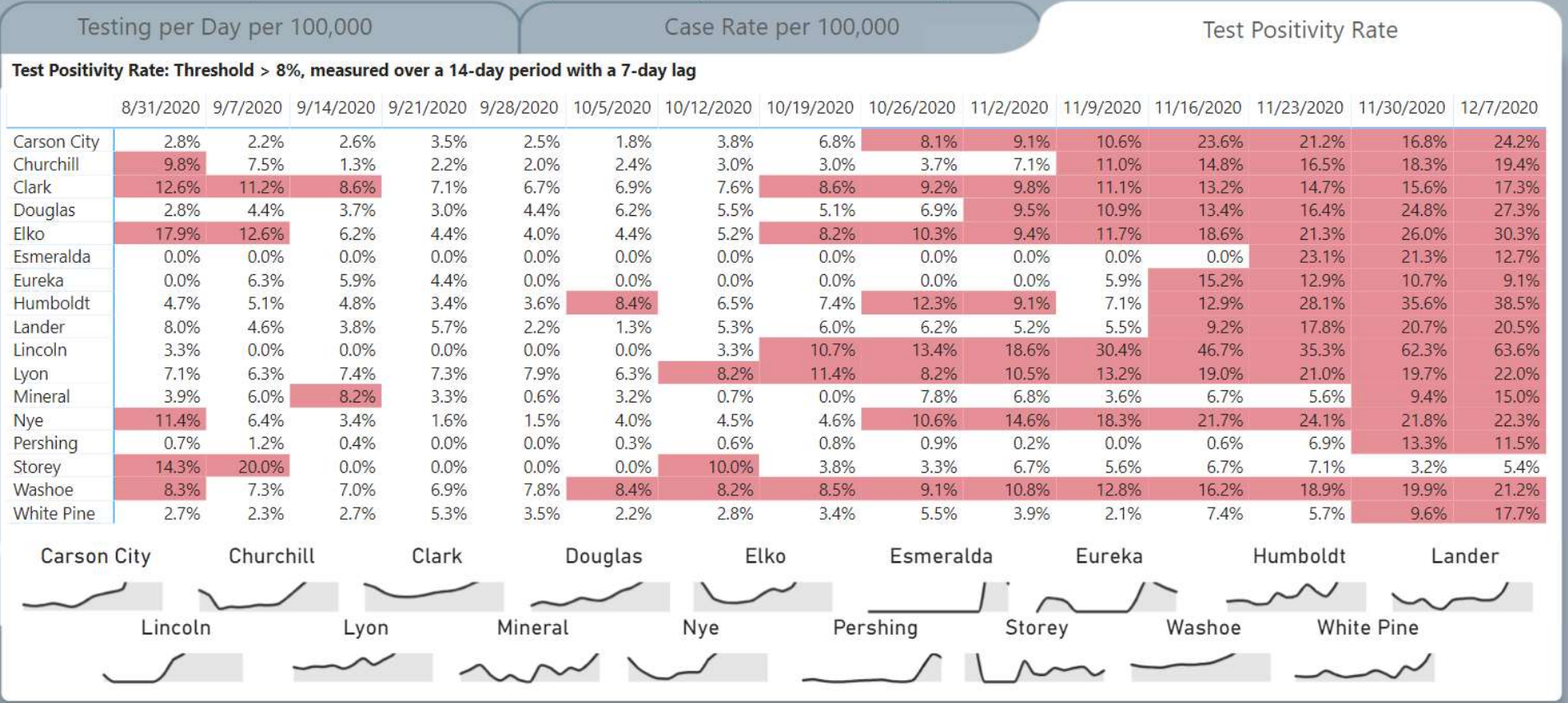
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Carson City	218	184	198	210	230	242	253	424	555	745	1,172	2,108	2,483	2,688	2,527
Churchill	274	186	155	120	155	201	201	236	290	518	920	1,461	1,843	2,156	2,145
Clark	574	490	390	314	302	315	356	421	490	559	701	865	1,134	1,405	1,723
Douglas	76	70	64	83	89	123	167	179	197	264	362	447	642	986	1,221
Elko	393	362	233	158	178	182	256	396	513	682	922	1,095	1,437	1,835	2,095
Esmeralda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	513	616	1,027	1,643
Eureka	102	203	203	203	153	0	0	0	0	51	203	254	407	509	407
Humboldt	158	82	70	59	100	100	147	182	211	275	264	387	1,301	1,676	2,913
Lander	133	200	233	150	117	233	300	400	517	434	417	617	1,017	1,768	2,485
Lincoln	38	19	0	0	0	0	154	327	346	481	327	500	462	635	923
Lyon	110	126	128	140	152	133	205	231	276	316	460	702	900	1,030	1,081
Mineral	373	460	482	351	197	88	22	22	241	329	504	636	1,294	2,171	2,960
Nye	174	117	63	35	29	37	49	74	170	237	407	518	555	669	657
Pershing	72	72	29	14	14	14	29	57	86	72	72	287	445	1,092	1,365
Storey	0	0	0	0	0	22	45	22	67	22	22	67	67	134	112
Washoe	292	299	278	316	397	412	463	545	612	783	1,025	1,372	1,802	2,095	2,310
White Pine	123	198	255	246	331	302	340	378	406	397	718	935	1,134	2,088	2,031



COVID-19 County Tracker

Test Positivity Rate:

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COVID-19 County Tracker (Comparison)

Data as of 12/09/2020

County Tracker Results Comparison, with and without the inclusion of prison inmate-related testing encounters

Current Methodology					Excluding Prison Inmate-Related Testing Encounters					Difference				
County	Testing*	Case Rate†	Test Positivity‡	Score	County	Testing*	Case Rate†	Test Positivity‡	Score	County	Testing*	Case Rate†	Test Positivity‡	Score
Carson City	458	3,044	27.0%	2	Carson City	415	2,814	28.1%	2	Carson City	-9%	-8%	4%	-
Churchill	390	2,172	20.7%	2	Churchill	380	2,117	20.7%	2	Churchill	-3%	-3%	0%	-
Clark	442	1,840	18.5%	2	Clark	433	1,829	18.7%	2	Clark	-2%	-1%	1%	-
Douglas	203	1,252	29.7%	2	Douglas	201	1,238	29.8%	2	Douglas	-1%	-1%	0%	-
Elko	290	2,135	31.4%	2	Elko	296	2,185	31.4%	2	Elko	2%	2%	0%	-
Esmeralda	381	2,464	19.2%	2	Esmeralda	387	2,503	19.2%	2	Esmeralda	1%	2%	0%	-
Eureka	265	407	5.5%	1	Eureka	295	452	5.5%	1	Eureka	11%	11%	0%	-
Humboldt	329	3,059	39.0%	2	Humboldt	338	3,143	39.0%	2	Humboldt	3%	3%	0%	-
Lander	497	2,668	23.7%	2	Lander	495	2,647	23.6%	2	Lander	0%	-1%	-1%	-
Lincoln	48	942	62.9%	3	Lincoln	53	1,043	61.8%	3	Lincoln	10%	11%	-2%	-
Lyon	181	1,076	22.2%	2	Lyon	186	1,094	22.1%	2	Lyon	3%	2%	0%	-
Mineral	882	3,157	13.9%	2	Mineral	885	3,154	13.7%	2	Mineral	0%	0%	-1%	-
Nye	116	686	24.1%	2	Nye	122	717	24.2%	2	Nye	5%	5%	0%	-
Pershing	359	2,629	19.4%	2	Pershing	521	3,813	19.4%	2	Pershing	45%	45%	0%	-
Storey	115	112	5.6%	-	Storey	117	113	5.6%	-	Storey	2%	1%	1%	-
Washoe	422	2,340	21.8%	2	Washoe	433	2,397	21.8%	2	Washoe	3%	2%	0%	-
White Pine	588	2,003	19.3%	2	White Pine	339	1,019	12.4%	2	White Pine	-42%	-49%	-36%	-

*Average Number of Tests Per Day (per 100,000)

†Cases (per 100,000)

‡Total number of positive molecular tests divided by the total number of molecular tests conducted multiplied by 100.

Notice that this comparison was completed on 12/9 and therefore does not tie back to the county tracker data pulled on 12/2.

Upon excluding prisoner/inmate populations, no counties were placed in a different status for elevated disease transmission.





Discussion

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